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- 1. NFPA Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, NFPA 1021, 2009
- 2. IFSTA, Fire Department Company Officer, 4th Edition, 1st Printing

- 1. Which statement is MOST accurate describing inspection procedures?
 - A. All inspections begin with the same inspection form.
 - B. New codes are never applied to old buildings.
 - C. Because of renovations, research is necessary before inspection.
 - D. To get an objective inspection, previous inspections are not reviewed.
- 2. Which statement is MOST accurate describing the revision process?
 - A. All proposals for revision are sent to the national office.
 - B. The National Fire Academy handles all revisions.
 - C. Each jurisdiction has an informal way to revise or change policies and procedures.
 - D. Steps and procedures for the revision process are in the policies and procedures manual.
- 3. The question, What will be the BEST use of a built-in fire suppression system?, is a type of question that should be first asked during a(n):
 - A. preincident survey.
 - B. incident survey.
 - C. on scene interview.
 - D. postincident analysis.
- 4. What is the FIRST step in the budget process?
 - A. Planning
 - B. Preparing
 - C. Researching
 - D. Negotiating
- 5. Once building construction type is determined:
 - A. the fire resistance rating is going to be the same for that type.
 - B. the inspection is complete after size of building is recorded.
 - C. another team of inspectors do their specific tasks.
 - D. penetrations of fire assemblies must be examined.
- 6. In basic building construction, how are areas searched for the origin of the fire?
 - A. Start from the MOST damaged area and work out.
 - B. Look for the MOST charring of carbon-based material remains.
 - C. Check the least damaged areas for clues of origin.
 - D. Ceilings are not likely to provide any clues.
- 7. What is the purpose of a fire and life-safety education program?
 - A. Provides an excellent public relationship media to promote fire services
 - B. To generate popular support for funding in the event a need arises
 - C. Helps the public to understand the risks and hazards of firefighting
 - D. Informing citizens of safety hazards and how they can reduce risks

- 8. The first communication the company officer transmits over the radio upon arriving at a scene is called the:
 - A. condition report.
 - B. full appraisal report.
 - C. needs report.
 - D. fire report.
- 9. Which statement is MOST accurate describing the preparation of a budget request?
 - A. All local laws are the same for this budget request process.
 - B. Historically, the company officer has always had control of budget and funds allotted.
 - C. NFPA® 1021 suggests that the company officer assist the AHJ in preparing a budget.
 - D. NFPA® 1021 requires that the company officer be able to prepare a budget request.
- 10. Which statement is MOST accurate describing an advantage or a disadvantage of reading the text during a speech presentation?
 - A. Losing eye contact does not hurt because the focus is on words.
 - B. Exact words and phrases are sometimes necessary for speech.
 - C. The speaker is less likely to lack inflection.
 - D. Words are less likely to sound monotone.
- 11. Which of the following fundamental company-level training must take precedence over all other task-related training?
 - A. Apparatus equipment care and cleaning
 - B. Location of equipment stored and its use
 - C. Facility cleaning and duties such as standing radio watch
 - D. Inventory control and equipment decontamination
- 12. Which statement is MOST accurate describing the significance of the presence of a fire detection system in a preincident survey?
 - A. It should be noted, but fire suppression planning will not change.
 - B. It will MOST likely change the building type or construction rating.
 - C. There is no need for the preincident survey in that case.
 - D. Proper use of it is a major consideration factor.
- 13. A basic requirement for simple training evolutions is that:
 - A. all personnel be new.
 - B. no active duty personnel be involved.
 - C. the exercise take place outside.
 - D. personal protective equipment (PPE) be worn.
- 14. Which statement is MOST accurate describing the use of effective listening?
 - A. Do not expect to get a clear message from an irate citizen.
 - B. Allow the angry citizen to vent, then ask them to repeat the message.
 - C. Take notes while the irate citizen is talking and record key words.
 - D. The company officer must hear and interpret messages even if not articulated clearly.

- 15. What question must be answered during an emergency operation?
 - A. Can the resources at the scene handle the situation?
 - B. Are responders following standard operating procedures?
 - C. Has the performance up to now been acceptable?
 - D. How long is the first operational period?
- 16. Which of these categories of records---budget, inventory, maintenance, activity and personnel---are maintained by fire and emergency services organizations?
 - A. Inventory, maintenance and activity.
 - B. All except for budget.
 - C. All except for personnel.
 - D. All of those records.
- 17. Who is assigned to collect safety-related information for a postincident analysis?
 - A. Company officer
 - B. Incident safety officer
 - C. Responders
 - D. Command staff
- 18. Which statement is MOST accurate describing the physical evidence that usually appears at a fire cause determination?
 - A. Accelerants and paper almost always make up the bulk of the evidence.
 - B. The physical evidence can be in many different forms.
 - C. Broken glass and charred items seldom are useful as evidence.
 - D. Exclusionary evidence is not necessary to collect or preserve.
- 19. What is the proper procedure for the investigation of job-related illness?
 - A. When made aware of an exposure or illness, immediately note the time.
 - B. Generally, information gathering is similar, but may require more time.
 - C. The investigation begins with sick person filling out forms.
 - D. All investigations must find the environmental cause of illness.
- 20. Where would the Inventory Specialist be placed on an organizational flow chart?
 - A. Logistics
 - B. Fire prevention
 - C. Training
 - D. Operations
- 21. Which statement is MOST accurate describing fire safety initiatives?
 - A. Nearly all safety programs are done on public television.
 - B. Primarily ads on buses, subways and billboards are the BEST.
 - C. Some organizations use inserts in utility bills to promote safety.
 - D. All materials and programs are required to be in English only.
- 22. The first national safety stand down was called for on June 21, 2005 for what purpose?
 - A. To focus on the enhancement of quality-of-life issues for firefighters
 - B. To focus on deaths, wellness programs, safe equipment and behaviors
 - C. To review the overall work environment issues for union contracts
 - D. To celebrate an incredible year of safety successes

- 23. What is the medium or channel?
 - A. The path the message takes between sender and receiver
 - B. The practice of doing all the little tasks first to get them out of the way
 - C. Delegate a few of the tasks to others in the middle of the group
 - D. Doing unimportant non-urgent tasks to get a sense of accomplishment
- 24. Which of the following describes the decision-making process suggested by the NFA for revision?
 - A. It is a five-step process beginning with defining the problem.
 - B. It is a three-step process ending with evaluation of options.
 - C. Decisions are made after the local organizations collect information.
 - D. Once a decision is made, company officers are asked to submit supporting data.
- 25. What are the differences between Type IV and Type V construction?
 - A. The main structural material used in Type IV cannot be wood.
 - B. Type IV uses smaller dimensions in the structural materials than Type V.
 - C. Type V uses smaller dimensions in the structural materials than Type IV.
 - D. Another name for Type V construction is heavy-timber construction.